

AGENDA SUMMARY PAGE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF: FEBRUARY 7, 2007

DEPARTMENT: NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES

DIRECTOR: STEPHEN K. HARSIN

☒ **Consent** ☐ **Discussion**

SUBJECT:

Approval of an additional \$554,405 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Construction funds for the expansion of the Doolittle Senior Center located at 1930 J Street - Ward 5 (Weekly)

Fiscal Impact

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No Impact

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Augmentation Required

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Budget Funds Available

Amount: \$554,405

Funding Source: CDBG

Dept./Division: Neighborhood Services/Neighborhood Development

PURPOSE/BACKGROUND:

On March 15, 2006, City Council approved \$3,000,000 in CDBG grant funds for the 4,000 square foot expansion of the Doolittle Senior Center. Additional scope of work including the relocation of a light pole and running path is necessary to complete the project. A partition wall for the multi purpose room has also been requested. Due to the costs associated with these additions along with increased construction costs, we are requesting an additional \$554,405.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Council approve the additional funding for the Doolittle Senior Center Expansion project and authorize the Mayor to execute any and all related agreements and documents required for the project, following approval as to form by the City Attorney.

BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:

Agenda item from 3/15/06 Council Meeting

Motion made by LAWRENCE WEEKLY to Approve

Passed For: 7; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

LOIS TARKANIAN, LAWRENCE WEEKLY, LARRY BROWN, OSCAR B. GOODMAN, GARY REESE, STEVE WOLFSON, STEVEN D. ROSS; (Against-None); (Abstain-None); (Did Not Vote-None); (Excused-None)

Minutes:

Under Item 10, COUNCILMAN WEEKLY requested Item 30 be pulled for discussion.

COUNCILMAN WEEKLY stated that this is a great center, but the community has outgrown it. STEPHEN HARSIN, Director of Neighborhood Services, indicated that construction should commence within two or three months.

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BEATRICE TURNER, Las Vegas resident, and GENE COLLINS requested to see the renderings, questioning whether the addition will be located south of the current edifice. Additionally, MR. COLLINS commented that he does not want too much of the park space taken, because he walks in the area as part of his therapy. COUNCILMAN WEEKLY assured MS. TURNER and MR. COLLINS that the renderings are available for review.

ANTHONY SNOWDEN insisted that the Doolittle Center should have been a stand-alone senior center, which was the plan under former MAYOR JAN JONES. However, the funds somehow disappeared. The City expends monies in other areas, but not in the West Las Vegas community, where growth is greatly needed. He urged the Council to earmark monies for the improvement of the West Las Vegas community.

